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# Regeneratively-Cooled, Pump-Fed Propulsion Technology for Nano / Micro Satellite Launch Vehicles, Phase I



Completed Technology Project (2013 - 2013)

#### **Project Introduction**

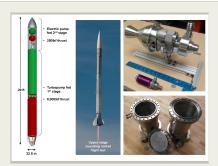
Ventions proposes the development of a pump-fed, 2-stage nano launch vehicle for low-cost on demand placement of cube and nano-satellites into LEO. The proposed vehicle uses high T/W and Isp pump-fed engines that operate at chamber pressures >750psi without the weight penalty of high pressure tanks, thereby realizing payload fractions in the 1-2% range. Ventions has already completed several component-level demonstrations in the area, and is proposing additional optimization / testing of a 5,000lbf LOX / RP-1 turbopump-fed engine as part of this Phase I in-order to demonstrate a flight-ready 1st stage propulsion system.

### **Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners**



| Organizations<br>Performing Work | Role                       | Туре           | Location                         |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|
| Ventions, LLC                    | Lead<br>Organization       | Industry       | San Francisco,<br>California     |
| • Kennedy Space<br>Center(KSC)   | Supporting<br>Organization | NASA<br>Center | Kennedy Space<br>Center, Florida |

| Primary U.S. Work Locations |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| California                  | Florida |



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### **Project Transitions**

May 2013: Project Start

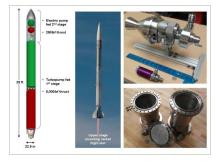


November 2013: Closed out

#### **Closeout Documentation:**

• Final Summary Chart(https://techport.nasa.gov/file/140699)

#### **Images**



#### **Project Image**

Regeneratively-Cooled, Pump-Fed Propulsion Technology for Nano / Micro Satellite Launch Vehicles (https://techport.nasa.gov/imag e/136972)

# Organizational Responsibility

# Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

#### **Lead Organization:**

Ventions, LLC

#### **Responsible Program:**

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## **Project Management**

#### **Program Director:**

Jason L Kessler

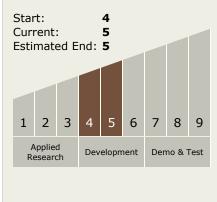
### Program Manager:

Carlos Torrez

#### **Principal Investigator:**

Adam London

# Technology Maturity (TRL)





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# **Technology Areas**

#### **Primary:**

### **Target Destinations**

The Moon, Mars, Outside the Solar System, The Sun, Earth, Others Inside the Solar System

